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CITY OF FARMINGTON

12 SOUTH FRANKLIN STREET FARMINGTON, MO 63640

HISTORIC PRESERVATION MINUTES OF MEETING

The Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Farmington met in regular session on December 12, 2023 at the City Hall, Basement Level, 110 West Columbia Street, Farmington, Missouri, 63640.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

At 5:11 p.m. the roll was called with the following members present: Jessie Williams – present; Carla Wilson – present; Jon Cozean – absent; Nancy Cozean – absent; Don Lilley – present; Wayne Linnenbringer – absent; Jeannie Roberts – present; Steve Slinkard – present.

Guests present were: Tim Porter

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO AGENDA

A motion was made (C. Wilson) and seconded (S. Slinkard) to add an item under new business: Discussion of moving a previously approved sign from its location at The Factory to a new location at The Depot. The Commission voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made (D. Lilley) and seconded (J. Roberts) to approve the November 6, 2023, Historic Preservation Meeting Minutes. The Commission voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. An Application for a Sign at 218 North Washington Street (Case HP-23-013), submitted by Yogi Bista.

Tim Porter, Development Services Director, presented the case to the Commission.

Yogi Bista, the applicant, explained that he owns several liquor stores across the area and the sign represents his brand.

The Commission discussed the issue C. Wilson asked T. Porter if he needed the commission to approve the sign because Farmington staff issued the permit, and the permit was approved in error, thus allowing the sign to be installed before approval of the Historic Preservation Commission. Tim Porter said no and that although the city made an error in allowing the sign to be installed without first being approved by the Commission, the merit of the sign should be considered on its own. If the vote was not in favor, T. Porter said, the city would ask Yogi to take the sign down or alter the sign to the satisfaction of the Commission. It was discussed amongst the Commissioners.

Don Lilley pointed out that this sign, unlike the sign at 214 Liquor, was placed along College Street. Further discussion was made, and Carla Wilson asked if it would cause a problem with the 214 Liquor owner. Tim Porter said he felt an approval of this sign (when a sign at the 214 Liquor store was initially denied because it was "back lit" like this sign) was different because this the proximity of the subject property (at the northern edge of the Historic District); the age of the building (circa 1950); and the architecture of the surrounding buildings. There was consensus agreement amongst the Commissioners.

A motion was made (J. Roberts) and seconded (C. Wilson) to approve the design. J. Williams wanted the minutes to reflect the reasons why this "back lit" sign was approved and the sign at 214 Liquor was not. The Commission voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

2. Discussion of Demolition at 209 East First Street

Derek Wade, of Wade's Automotive spoke to the Commission. He was considering purchasing the building at 209 E First Street. His plan would be to demolish the building and expand his parking lot. Before he agreed to purchase the building, he wanted to ask if they would grant him permission to demolish the building.

Tim Porter addressed the Commission and said that they could make an approval of the demolition, contingent upon Wade purchasing the building and applying for a demolition permit.

A motion was made (D. Lilley) and seconded (J. Roberts) to approve the demolition contingent upon Derek Wade purchasing the property and applying for a demolition permit. The Commission voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

3. Discussion of a approving the installation sign at the northeast side of The Depot exact in design (Primal Instinct) that was previously being approved at The Factory.

Cole Gowen, owner of Primal Instinct, asked the Commission if he were to move his business to The Depot, would he be allowed to erect a sign exactly the same design as the sign that he has installed at this location at the factor.

A motion was made (D. Lilley) and seconded (C. Wilson) to approve erecting a sign with the exact same design at The Depot.

The Commission voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

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Jessie Williams said that the City had purchased some property near the airport and had requested it to be annexed into the City. The property had a burned home, some storage sheds, and there was a supposed to be some spring there.

OTHER NON-AGENDA TOPICS

STAFF

ADJOURN

A motion was made (C. Wilson) and seconded (J. Williams) to adjourn the meeting. The Commission voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

Jessie Williams, Chairperson

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Development Services Coordinator